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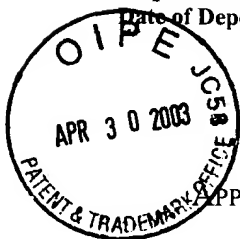
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APPLICANT: Francois Mach

SERIAL NUMBER: 09/664,871

EXAMINER: San-ming Hui

FILING DATE: September 19, 2000

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Request for Continued Examination Under 37 CFR § 1.114

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Enclosed herein are the following:

- ☒ Amendment and Response (15 pages), with attached Exhibits A-G (total pages including Tabs and Exhibits: 114);
- ☒ Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 of Francois Mach (3 pages), with attached Exhibits 1-3 (total pages including Tabs and Exhibits: 32);
- ☒ Check # 16183 for \$375.00 (RCE);
- ☒ Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
- ☒ Form 1449 (2 pages) with attached References A1-A11, B1-B8, C21-C44;
- ☒ Check #16156 for \$180.00 (IDS Fee);
- ☒ Return Postcard.

Pursuant to 35 USC §1.114, Applicants herein request continued examination of Application No. 09/664,871. Included with this request are the required elements of 1) a request (this document); 2) a submission; and 3) a fee. The submission provided herein is an Amendment and Response. Such a submission is a proper submission in accordance with 37 CFR §1.114 (c). With such a timely filed request, submission, and fee, Applicants believe that the amendment should be entered and the finality of the Action should be withdrawn.

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No additional fees are believed due with this submission. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 23135-501. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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